

**Claims**

What is claimed is:

- 1           1.     A weed extraction tool comprising:  
2           an elongated rotatable shaft having an upper end and a lower  
3     end;  
4           a claw structure disposed at said lower end of said shaft;  
5           said claw structure including a first blade and a second blade;  
6           said first blade being fixed relative to said shaft;  
7           said second blade being movable relative to said first blade; and  
8           a spring resiliently biasing said second blade toward said first  
9     blade.
- 1           2.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 1, first blade  
2     comprising said lower end of said shaft.
- 1           3.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 2, said lower  
2     end of said shaft having a point.
- 1           4.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 3, said second  
2     blade being pivotally mounted relative to said shaft.
- 1           5.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 1, further  
2     comprising a blade defining member including said second blade, said  
3     blade defining member including a lever portion and a central body  
4     portion between said second blade and said lever portion.
- 1           6.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 5, said central  
2     body portion being pivotally mounted relative to said shaft.
- 1           7.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 6, said spring  
2     being connected between said lever portion and said shaft.
- 1           8.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 7, said spring  
2     comprising a body of resilient rubber or rubber-like material.

1           9.     A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 8, said spring  
2 comprising an O-ring placed around said shaft and said lever portion.

1           10.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 7, said lever  
2 portion including a handle.

1           11.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 5 said blade  
2 defining member being a metal panel.

1           12.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 11, said shaft  
2 having a slot extending through said shaft, and said central body portion  
3 extending through said slot.

1           13.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 12, said central  
2 body portion being pivotally mounted in said slot.

1           14.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 13, said spring  
2 comprising rubber or rubber-like material in said slot.

1           15.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 13, said blade  
2 defining member being in a single plane coinciding with the axis of said  
3 shaft.

1           16.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 13, said blade  
2 defining member being formed with a corner between said central body  
3 portion and said second blade.

1           17.    A weed extraction tool as claimed in claim 16, said second  
2 blade lying in a plane parallel to and spaced from the axis of said shaft.